EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 65

WHEREAS, United States Army Specialist (SPC) Nicholas P. DiMona III was a longtime resident of Medford Lakes; and

WHEREAS, SPC DiMona was a graduate of Shawnee High School, located in Medford Township; and

WHEREAS, SPC DiMona bravely maintained a lifelong interest in joining the military despite his father's tragic death during a military training exercise; and

WHEREAS, SPC DiMona was an active member of his community, including as a camp counselor and longtime volunteer at the YMCA of the Pines in Medford Township; and

WHEREAS, SPC DiMona joined the United States Army in July 2017, completed training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and was most recently stationed at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, which is in Anchorage, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, SPC DiMona was assigned to the 4th Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division; and

WHEREAS, in his time serving our country, SPC DiMona earned the Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, and the parachutist badge; and

WHEREAS, SPC DiMona tragically lost his life during a military training exercise on March 30, 2019, in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, SPC DiMona was a beloved son and brother, whose presence will be missed by his family, his friends, his fellow servicemembers, and by the people of New Jersey whom are grateful for his service; and

WHEREAS, it is with immense sadness that we mourn SPC DiMona's sudden passing, and extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the exemplary character, outstanding achievements, and cherished memory of SPC DiMona, and to mark his passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PHILIP D. MURPHY, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

- 1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Tuesday, April 16, 2019, in recognition and mourning of a committed public servant, Army Specialist Nicholas P. DiMona III.
 - 2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 15th day of April,
Two Thousand and Nineteen,
and of the Independence of
the United States, the Two
Hundred and Forty-Third.

[seal] /s/ Philip D. Murphy

Governor

Attest:

/s/ Matthew J. Platkin

Chief Counsel to the Governor